

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): DOWLING et al.
Application Serial No. 10/045604
Filing Date: Oct. 23, 2001
Confirmation No. 3464
For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR DIGITAL ENTERTAINMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF ERRONEOUSLY-ISSUED NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT

The USPTO has issued a Notice of Abandonment for the above-identified allowed application on April 20, 2010, because of Applicants' alleged failure to submit corrected drawings as required by the Notice of Allowability mailed on December 29, 2009. Applicants' undersigned attorney respectfully submits that such requirement and subsequent Notice were issued in error, because a complete set of publication-quality drawings was timely filed on July 22, 2002 in Response to Notice to File Missing Parts, and received by the USPTO (see attached filing receipt).

On April 26, 2010, during a teleconference with the undersigned attorney, Examiner Minh has confirmed the USPTO error and indicated that he would notify the Patent Publication Branch and withdraw the Notice of Abandonment. In a subsequent teleconference earlier today, Examiner Minh has indicated that the USPTO is in a process of correcting the status of this application.

Accordingly, Applicants formally request expedited withdrawal of the Notice of Abandonment and, since the issue fee has been timely paid, have this allowed application immediately proceed to issue as a patent.

Dated: Respectfully submitted,

May 20, 2010

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LETTER TO THE OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON

Sir:

We enclose thirteen (13) sheets of formal drawings (Figs. 1-16) for the above-identified patent application.

Please charge any fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 23/2825.

Respectfully submitted,

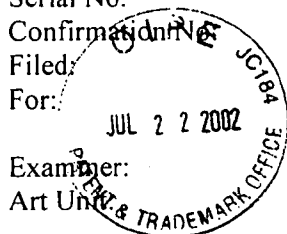
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RESPONSE TO THE NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated March 11, 2002, Applicants respectfully submit for filing two original documents entitled Declaration for Patent Application and substitute drawings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.84.

Applicants also respectfully note here that the Domestic Priority Data as Claimed by Applicants appearing on the filing receipt following this Response should appear as follows:

THIS APPLICATION CLAIMS BENEFIT OF 60/243,250 10/25/2000
AND CLAIMS BENEFIT OF 60/262,153 01/17/2001
AND CLAIMS BENEFIT OF 60/242,484 10/23/2000
AND CLAIMS BENEFIT OF 60/262,022 01/16/2001
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THIS APPLN ALSO CLAIMS THE BENEFIT OF 60/071,281 12/17/1997
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AND CLAIMS THE BENEFIT OF 60/078,861 03/20/1998
AND CLAIMS THE BENEFIT OF 60/079,285 03/25/1998
AND CLAIMS THE BENEFIT OF 60/090,920 06/26/1998

A copy of the Filing Receipt marked with corrections in red is enclosed.

The check enclosed includes the fee of \$4,949.00 for payment of the basic filing fee, the surcharge for the filing of the late declaration, the fee for additional claims and a Two Month Extension. If the fee is insufficient, the balance may be charged to the account of the undersigned, Deposit Account No. 23/2825. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 370 to complete the basic filing fee for a small entity.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$4314.
 - \$2718 for 302 total claims over 20.
 - \$1596 for 38 independent claims over 3 .
- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 4749.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawings contain excessive text. Suitable descriptive legends may be used, or may be required by the Examiner where necessary for understanding of the drawing but should contain as few words as possible (see 37 CFR 1.84(o));

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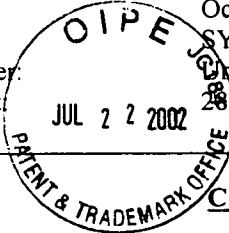
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- [X] TWO DECLARATIONS FOR PATENT APPLICATION
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- [X] LETTER TO THE OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON
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